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 In Application of: S  
 Serial No. 284K

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Commissioner for Patents  
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## Technology Center 2100

**This is a Request for a Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

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a. \_\_\_\_\_ Previously submitted

- i. \_\_\_\_\_ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- iii. \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

b. X      Enclosed

- i. \_\_\_\_\_ Amendment/Reply
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. \_\_\_\_\_ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv.   X   Other   Preliminary Amendment

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.  
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

3. b. \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant is entitled to small entity status

4. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a.   X   The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No.: 08-1275
- i.   X   RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii.        Extension of time fee (37 C.F. R. § 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii.   X   Other Two new independent claim
- b.   X   Check in the amount of \$942.00 (\$770.00 to cover the request for continued examination filing fee plus \$172.00 for two new independent claims) enclosed
- c.        Payment by credit card (form PTO-2038 enclosed)

5. ☒ **Return Receipt Postcard**

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